Qualifications for the Position of United States Federal Public Defender

An applicant should have the following qualifications:

- (1) a member in good standing in the bar of each state in which admitted to practice;
- (2) a minimum of five years criminal practice experience, preferably with significant federal criminal law experience, which demonstrates an ability to provide zealous representation of consistently high quality to criminal defendants;
- (3) the ability to effectively administer the office;
- (4) a reputation for integrity; and
- (5) a commitment to the representation of those unable to afford counsel.

Qualified candidates will be considered equally and without regard to race, sex, religious affiliation, national origin, age or disability.

Term and Salary

A Federal Public Defender is appointed to a four year term pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §3006A, and compensation is currently set at \$143,000 per annum. The position will be available after October 1, 2006.

To Apply

E-mail your request for an application to fpd_application@ca3.uscourts.gov and ask for it in either WordPerfect or Microsoft Word format. When you receive the application, detach it, complete it and e-mail it back to the same e-mail address given above. If you have any questions, you may call the Circuit Executive's Office at (215) 597-0718. **NO paper applications will be accepted.**

Interviews

To the extent that the Selection Committee determines them to be necessary, interviews of candidates will be held on or about August 15, 2006. If selected for an interview, you will be asked to submit copies via e-mail of unreported appellate decisions and a writing sample if it is not available through Westlaw prior to the interview.

Deadline

All applications are to be received, via e-mail, by noon, Eastern Standard Time, Thursday, July 27, 2006.